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FLUORINE-CONTAINING POLYMER, AND AQUEOUS DISPERSION OF  
FLUORINE-CONTAINING POLYMER

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Additionally, EP 0 248 446 A2 corresponds to JP 63-81104, WO 00/71590 is the International Publication of JP 2003-500495 and EP 1 189 953 correspond to JP 2003-500495, WO 91/14422 is the International Publication of JP 5-505824 and U.S. Patent No. 5,118,494 corresponds to JP 5-505824, WO 95/32174 is the International Publication of JP 10-500950 and U.S. Patent Nos. 5,476,974 and 5,658,962 claim priority from JP 10-500950 and WO 95/32174, U.S. Patent No. 4,725,375 corresponds to JP 61-270381, U.S. Patent No. 4,719,052 claims priority from JP 2-223538 and U.S. Patent No. 5,763,552 corresponds to JP 10-212261.

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